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RE: Site Access for the Gulfco Marine Maintenance, Inc. Superfund Site in Freeport, Texas (the "Site"); CERCLA Docket No. 06-05-05

Dear Ms. Nann and Mr. Miller:

Please accept this letter as a status update on Respondents' efforts to obtain the necessary access under Paragraph 72 of the Modified Unilateral Administrative Order for Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study ("UAO") for this Site and request for additional time to complete this task.

To date, we have secured access to the following properties: Lot 20, Lot 54, Lot 56, Lot 59, Lot 74, Lot 75 and Lots 76 & 77. Regarding Lots 72 & 73, Respondents have been informed by outside counsel for the Brazos River Harbor Navigational District's Board of Directors that Respondent's proposed access agreement has been approved; however, Respondents have not yet received an executed agreement. Regarding Lot 19, Respondents have sent the property owner, Dr. W.D. Nicholson, a revised access agreement in response to his concerns over the agreement originally proposed. Respondents are awaiting a response from Dr. Nicholson.

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We will continue our efforts to obtain off-site access agreements for the properties listed above and apprise you of our progress. Respondents ask for a thirty (30) day extension, until May 1, 2006, to complete this task.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please let us know if EPA prefers another course of action be taken with respect to securing the necessary access.

Sincerely,

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